

Lunch & Displays, 12:30-1:45

Afternoon Plenary, 1:45-3:30

### Meeting Basic Human Needs

#### Training Nationals for Self-Sufficiency

*Kathy Bryson*

International Training Director, SIFAT (Southern Institute for Appropriate Technology/Servants in Faith and Technology)

How do we encourage long-term solutions instead of creating more dependency on external aid?

### Living Legacy

#### A Contemporary Lesson of the Widow's Mite

*Harry Knopke*

Executive Director, Safe Water Institute

A fund development strategy created by Living Legacy LLC, based in Phoenix, AZ, whose 501(c)3 Living Legacy Foundation has as its purpose the generation of substantial funds for charities through its IRS-approved ability to finance life insurance and annuities on donors' lives to create a benefit for other charitable organizations. Might the 'widow's mite' be an opportunity to grow your organization's ministry?

### Closing Song and Prayer

Displays open until 4:00 p.m. following plenary session.

Photo: Les Cayes, Haiti – David Morton

*Nonprofits are encouraged to bring displays, brochures, and contact information to the gathering.*

*8' tables provided for a fee of \$10 per table. Set up is at 8:00 a.m.; displays are open to participants from 8:30-4:00 p.m.*



*Saturday, March 29, 2008*

*9:00-4:00 p.m.*

*Aquinas College*

*1607 Robinson Road, SE  
Grand Rapids, MI 49506-1799  
Wege Center, Ballroom*

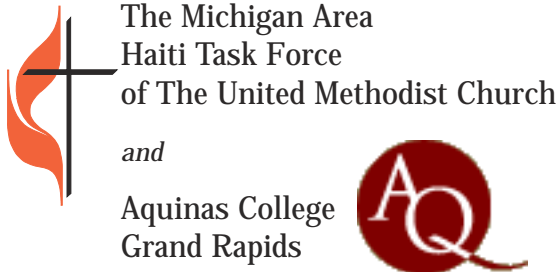
*Food Security and Nutrition:  
responding to hunger through  
sustainable agriculture*

The Haiti Gathering is an ecumenical gathering to connect 'friends and family' of Haiti in relationship, educational opportunity and information-sharing. *Sponsored by the Michigan Area Haiti Task Force of The United Methodist Church and Aquinas College.*

*\$20 registration includes continental breakfast and lunch at the Aquinas café. Advance registration appreciated.*

## The Haiti Gathering

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The Michigan Area  
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Grand Rapids

If you have not pre-registered, registration table will be open at 8:30. Displays will also be open.

## Morning Plenary, 9:00-11:45 a.m.

### Opening Worship and Prayer

#### Introductory Remarks

Caribbean development processes and why some “islands” have “done better” than others  
*Roger Durham, Ph. D.*

Chair & Assoc. Prof. of Political Science, Aquinas College

#### Options for the Poor in Haiti

a guide to those who seek to help them

*Martin Price, Ph. D.*

Director of Agricultural Resources Department and Co-Founder of ECHO (Educational Concerns for Hunger Organization)

What needs do development workers try to address? How can a modest amount of “adaptive” experimentation add tools to the agricultural toolbox of the development worker? Information presented on reforestation options, new food plants, helping farmers with seeds, and the importance of perennial vegetables. Learn of ECHO’s seedbank, annual conference for Christian agricultural workers in Haiti, and other services that can help any group working in Haiti.

#### A Christian Response to World Hunger establishing food security through sustainable development activities

*Bev Abma*

Executive Director of Programming,  
FRB (Foods Resource Bank)

How do we mobilize and increase the resources needed to support smallholder, agricultural food security programs in some of the world’s poorest villages? How can individuals, churches and urban communities grow solutions to hunger problems in our world? FRB’s goal is to support the efforts of the world’s poorest communities to produce or earn enough to feed their families year round, and have a little extra to barter or sell to send their children to school and buy staples and basic medicines. Introduction to current overseas projects in Haiti and the Bateyes, Dominican Republic. Program proposal resources for member organizations.

## Workshops, 11:45 – 12:30 p.m.

Please select one on the registration form.

### IdeasThat Work

*Martin Price, Ph. D.*

Dr. Price will present a potpourri of ideas. Specific examples will vary but might include: Velvet beans that triple yields of corn, moringa the vegetable tree that allows malnourished mothers to begin giving milk and can also be used to purify water; Amaranth grain species with 30% higher protein than other pastas; sloping agricultural land technology that produces terraces without using a shovel; Gabions that allow farmers to grow food in eroded gullies; Tephrosia to produce your own insecticide; Egusi and egusi milk; rooftop gardening; Neem tree leaves used to treat scabies; preventing weevil attacks on stored beans by rotating the bags; Mosquito repellent from neem tree oil; Ointment from moringa tree seeds to replace neosporin; Zai holes that harvest termites to increase crop yields; a simple pump made from PVC pipe, a piece of bamboo and an old inner tube.

Ways to be of special help to families living with HIV/AIDS will also be discussed.

### Serving Dignity and Pride

by helping the hungry grow their own food

*Bev Abma*

Foods Resource Bank (FRB) is mission and ministry in a new and unique way, addressing the issues of world hunger by helping hungry people help themselves. Come to this workshop and learn how this program might fit your church and community. The U.S. growing project model of raising funds to support overseas communities is flexible, and any marketable product will work. Learn how rural and urban churches partner. FRB is a hands-on way for concerned people in the U.S. to connect with those in need in the developing world.

### Child Malnutrition

Targeting this Major Global Killer

*Kathy Bryson*

Contrary to popular opinion, lack of food is not the major contributing factor to child malnutrition. Find out the facts and learn key strategies to target this major epidemic of child malnutrition that can greatly impact child survival globally as well as in Haiti.

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To pre-register, clip this form, write check payable to “Aquinas College” (“Haiti Gathering” in memo line); mail to Aquinas College, c/o ERIC BRIDGE, CAMPUS MINISTRIES, 1607 Robinson Rd S.E., Grand Rapids, MI 49506-1799. Credit card payment not accepted QUESTIONS? Contact Valerie Mossman-Celestin.

If multiple persons are registering, please write additional names and workshop preferences on separate sheet. Mail with registration form.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Congregation/Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Workshop option (check 1 box)

- Ideas that work
- Serving Dignity and Pride
- Child malnutrition

Yes, we want \_\_\_ display table(s).

Pre-register for tables no later than March 17.

Questions? Contact Valerie Mossman-Celestin at [valeriem@wmcumc.org](mailto:valeriem@wmcumc.org).

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